

# DATA SHEET

**LLE15370X**

**NPN microwave power transistor**

Product specification  
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**FEATURES**

- Diffused emitter ballasting resistors providing excellent current sharing and withstanding a high VSWR
- Interdigitated structure provides high emitter efficiency
- Gold metallization realizes very good stability of the characteristics and excellent lifetime
- Multicell geometry gives good balance of dissipated power and low thermal resistance
- Internal input and output prematching ensures good stability and allows an easier design of wideband circuits.

**APPLICATION**

Intended for use in common emitter, class AB amplifiers in CW conditions for professional applications between 1.4 GHz and 1.6 GHz.

**DESCRIPTION**

NPN silicon planar epitaxial microwave power transistor in a SOT437A glued cap metal ceramic flange package, with emitter connected to flange.

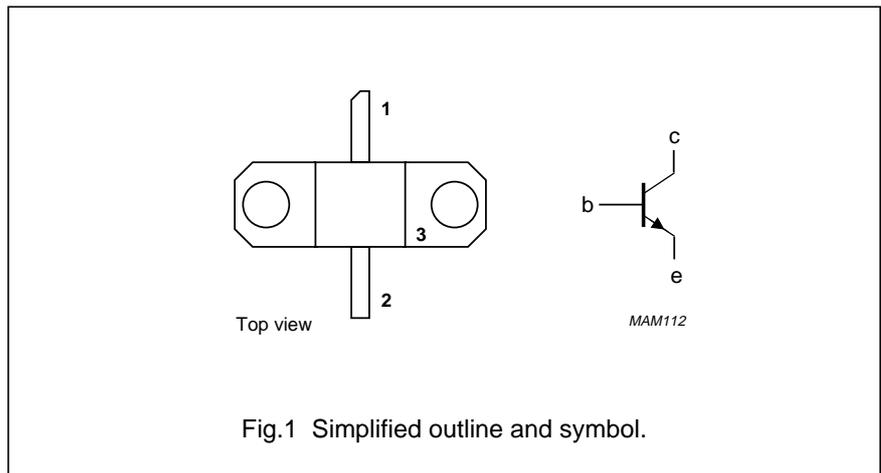
**QUICK REFERENCE DATA**

Microwave performance up to  $T_{mb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  in a common emitter class AB amplifier.

| MODE OF OPERATION | f (GHz) | V <sub>CE</sub> (V) | I <sub>CQ</sub> (A) | P <sub>L1</sub> (W) | G <sub>po</sub> (dB) | η <sub>c</sub> (%) | Z <sub>i</sub> ; Z <sub>L</sub> (Ω) |
|-------------------|---------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Class AB (CW)     | 1.5     | 24                  | 0.3                 | ≥33                 | ≥8                   | typ. 43            | see Figs 8 and 9                    |

**PINNING - SOT437A**

| PIN | DESCRIPTION                 |
|-----|-----------------------------|
| 1   | collector                   |
| 2   | base                        |
| 3   | emitter connected to flange |



**WARNING**

**Product and environmental safety - toxic materials**

This product contains beryllium oxide. The product is entirely safe provided that the BeO slab is not damaged. All persons who handle, use or dispose of this product should be aware of its nature and of the necessary safety precautions. After use, dispose of as chemical or special waste according to the regulations applying at the location of the user. It must never be thrown out with the general or domestic waste.

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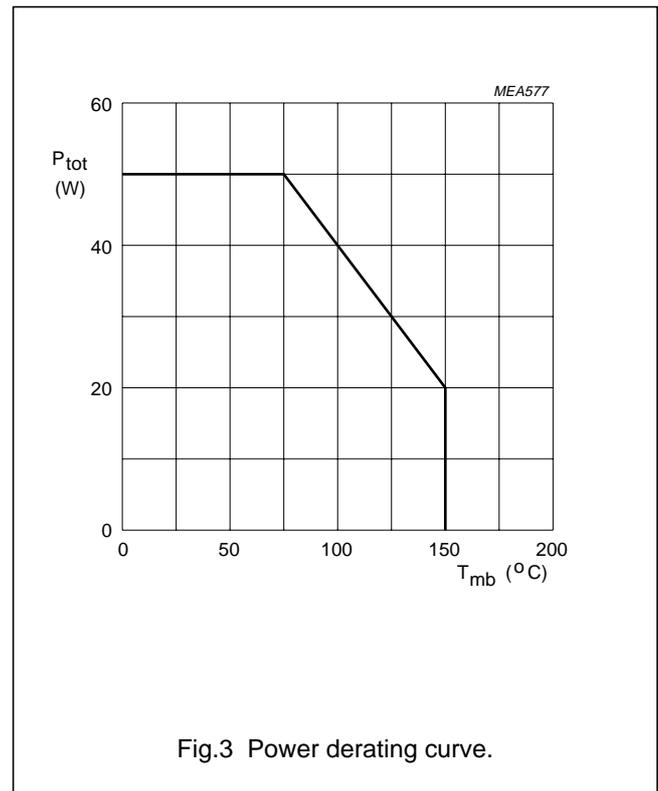
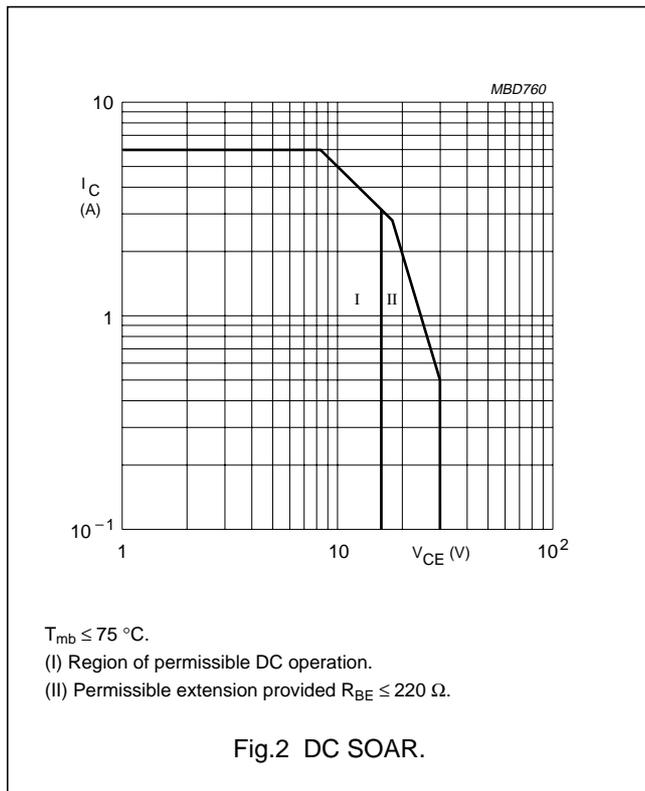
**LIMITING VALUES**

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 134).

| SYMBOL            | PARAMETER                 | CONDITIONS                                    | MIN. | MAX. | UNIT |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| V <sub>CBO</sub>  | collector-base voltage    | open emitter                                  | –    | 45   | V    |
| V <sub>CER</sub>  | collector-emitter voltage | R <sub>BE</sub> = 220 Ω                       | –    | 30   | V    |
| V <sub>CEO</sub>  | collector-emitter voltage | open base                                     | –    | 15   | V    |
| V <sub>EBO</sub>  | emitter-base voltage      | open collector                                | –    | 3    | V    |
| I <sub>C</sub>    | DC collector current      |                                               | –    | 6    | A    |
| P <sub>i</sub>    | input power               | f = 1.5 GHz; V <sub>CE</sub> = 24 V; class AB | –    | 8    | W    |
| P <sub>tot</sub>  | total power dissipation   | T <sub>mb</sub> = 75 °C                       | –    | 50   | W    |
| T <sub>stg</sub>  | storage temperature       |                                               | –65  | +150 | °C   |
| T <sub>j</sub>    | junction temperature      |                                               | –    | 200  | °C   |
| T <sub>slid</sub> | soldering temperature     | t ≤ 10 s; note 1                              | –    | 235  | °C   |

**Note**

- Up to 0.2 mm from ceramic.



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## THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

| SYMBOL         | PARAMETER                                         | CONDITIONS                  | MAX. | UNIT |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|
| $R_{th\ j-mb}$ | thermal resistance from junction to mounting base | $T_j = 100\ ^\circ\text{C}$ | 2    | K/W  |
| $R_{th\ mb-h}$ | thermal resistance from mounting base to heatsink | note 1                      | 0.2  | K/W  |

## Note

- See "Mounting recommendations in the General part of handbook SC19a".

## CHARACTERISTICS

$T_j = 25\ ^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified.

| SYMBOL        | PARAMETER                           | CONDITIONS                                  | MIN. | MAX. | UNIT |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| $I_{CBO}$     | collector cut-off current           | $I_E = 0; V_{CB} = 20\ \text{V}$            | –    | 3    | mA   |
| $V_{(BR)CER}$ | collector-emitter breakdown voltage | $I_C = 15\ \text{mA}; R_{BE} = 220\ \Omega$ | 30   | –    | V    |
| $V_{(BR)CBO}$ | collector-base breakdown voltage    | $I_C = 15\ \text{mA}$                       | 45   | –    | V    |
| $V_{(BR)EBO}$ | emitter-base breakdown voltage      | $I_E = 15\ \text{mA}$                       | 3    | –    | V    |
| $h_{FE}$      | DC current gain                     | $I_C = 1\ \text{A}; V_{CE} = 3\ \text{V}$   | 15   | 100  |      |

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

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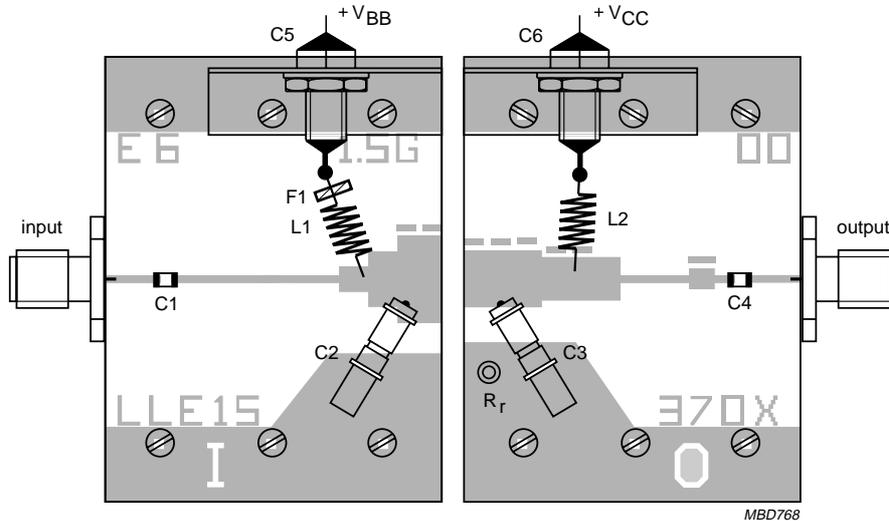
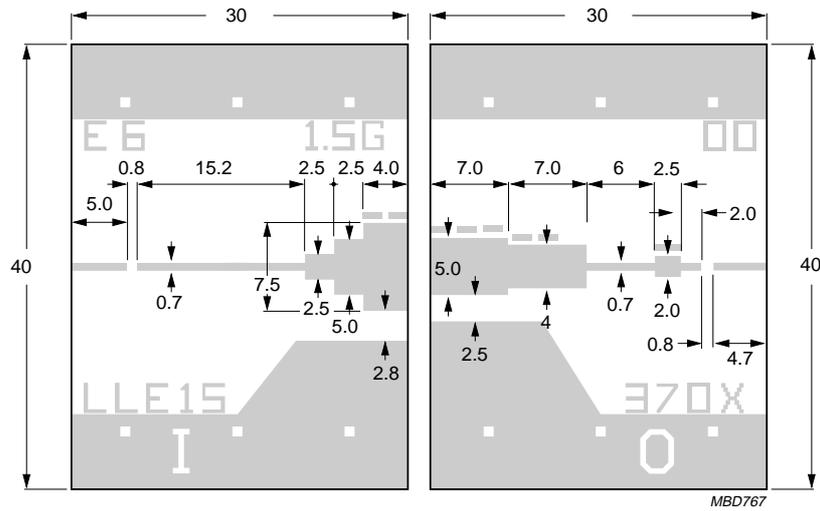
| MODE OF OPERATION       | f (GHz) | $V_{CE}$ (V) | $I_{CQ}$ (A) | $P_{L1}$ (W)        | $G_{po}$ (dB)       | $\eta_c$ (%) | $Z_i; Z_L$ ( $\Omega$ ) |
|-------------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Class AB (CW)<br>note 1 | 1.5     | 24           | 0.3          | $\geq 33$ ; typ. 37 | $\geq 8$ ; typ. 8.7 | typ. 43      | see Figs 8 and 9        |

## Note

- $d_{im}$  is less than  $-30\ \text{dBc}$  at  $P_o = 15\ \text{W (av)}$ ;  $f = 200\ \text{kHz}$ .

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The test circuit is split into two independent halves, each being 30 × 30 mm in size.  
 Dimensions in mm.  
 Substrate: Epsilam 10.  
 Thickness: 0.635 mm.  
 Permittivity:  $\epsilon_r = 10$ .

Fig.4 Prematching test circuit board.

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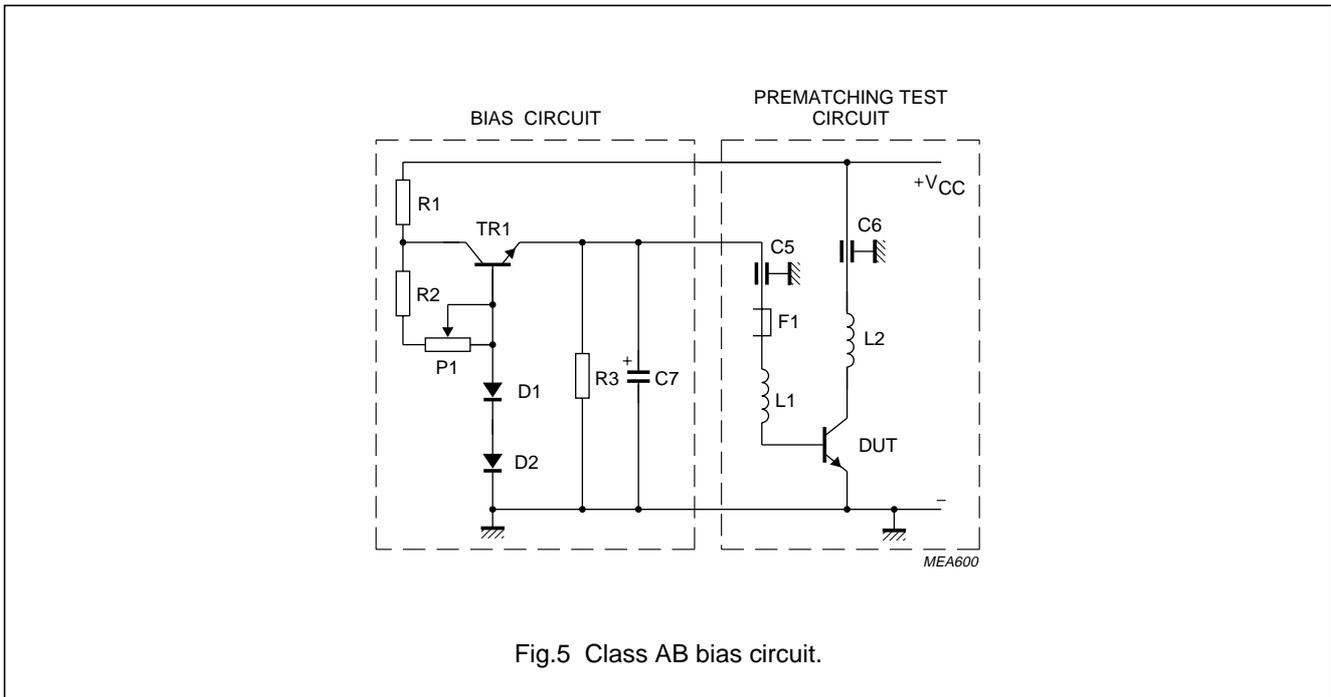


Fig.5 Class AB bias circuit.

List of components (see Figs 4 and 5)

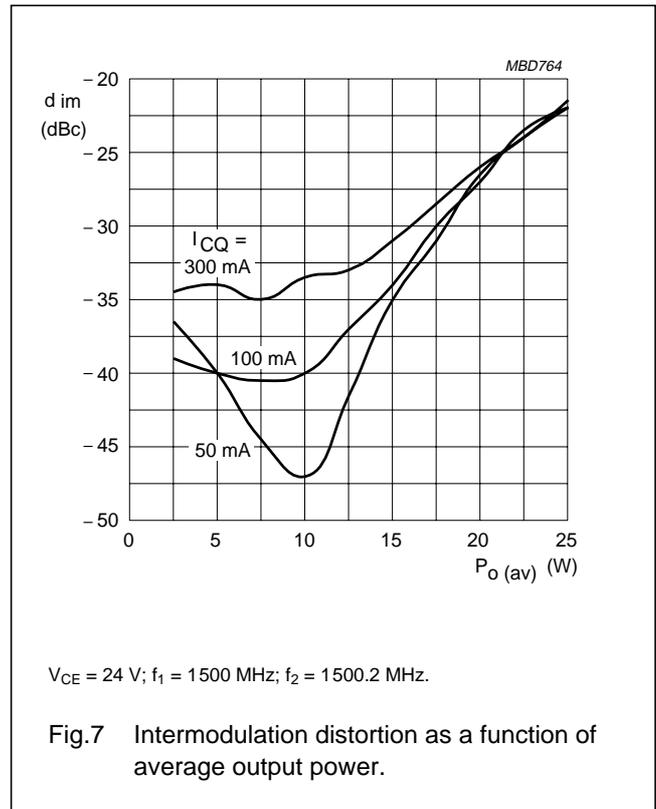
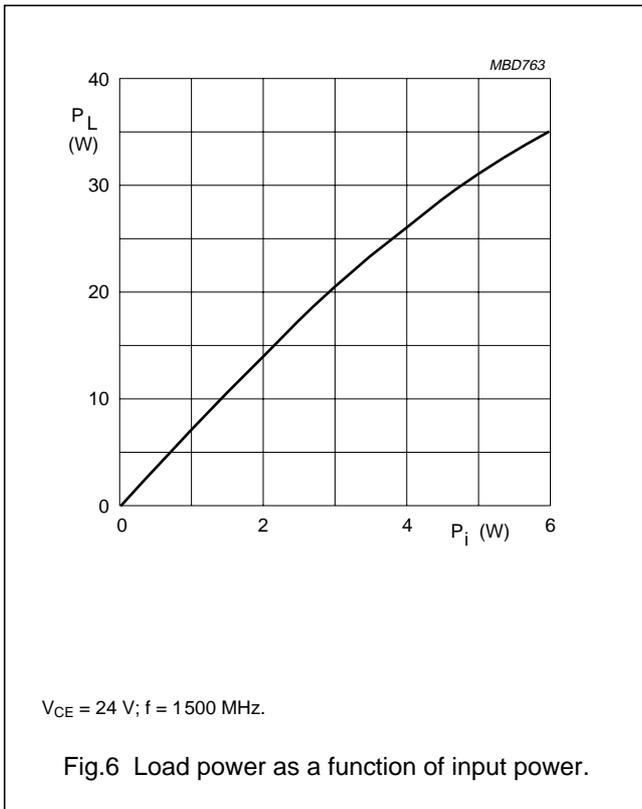
| COMPONENT      | DESCRIPTION                                             | VALUE         | ORDERING INFORMATION                                            |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| TR1            | transistor, BDT91 or equivalent                         |               |                                                                 |
| C1, C4         | DC blocking chip capacitor                              | 100 pF        | ATC 100A101kp                                                   |
| C2, C3         | trimmer capacitor                                       | 0.5 to 5.0 pF | Tekelec 727-1                                                   |
| C5, C6         | feedthrough bypass capacitor                            | 1500 pF       | Erie 1250-003                                                   |
| C7             | electrolytic capacitor                                  | 10 μF, >30 V  |                                                                 |
| D1             | diode BY239 or equivalent; note 1                       |               |                                                                 |
| D2             | diode BY239 or equivalent; note 2                       |               |                                                                 |
| L1             | 4 turns 0.5 mm copper wire;<br>internal diameter = 2 mm |               |                                                                 |
| L2             | 3 turns 0.5 mm copper wire;<br>internal diameter = 2 mm |               |                                                                 |
| P1             | linear potentiometer                                    | 4.7 kΩ        |                                                                 |
| R1             | resistor                                                | 100 Ω, 0.25 W |                                                                 |
| R2             | resistor                                                | 10 kΩ, 0.25 W |                                                                 |
| R3             | resistor                                                | 56 Ω, 0.25 W  |                                                                 |
| F1             | ferrite bead                                            |               | Philips tube, 12NC = 4330 030 43081<br>4.2 × 2.2 × 3.2 mm (4B1) |
| R <sub>r</sub> | copper rivet                                            |               |                                                                 |

Notes

1. In thermal contact with TR1.
2. In thermal contact with DUT.

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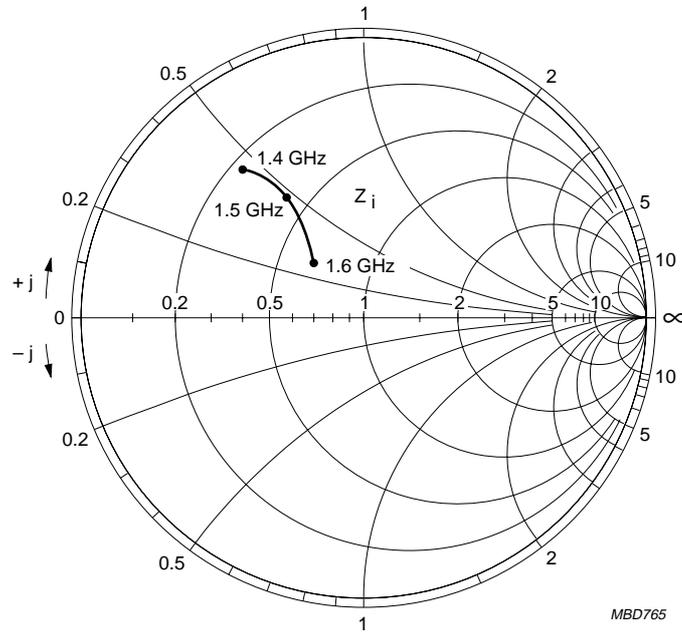
**Input and optimum load impedances**

$V_{CE} = 24\text{ V}; I_{CQ} = 0.3\text{ A}$  (see Figs 8 and 9).

| f (GHz) | $Z_i$ ( $\Omega$ ) | $Z_L$ ( $\Omega$ ) |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1.40    | $2.4 + j4.4$       | $5.5 - j1.8$       |
| 1.45    | $3.2 + j4.6$       | $5.1 - j1.3$       |
| 1.50    | $4.2 + j4.5$       | $4.7 - j1.0$       |
| 1.55    | $5.3 + j3.8$       | $4.2 - j0.9$       |
| 1.60    | $6.2 + j2.5$       | $3.8 - j0.8$       |

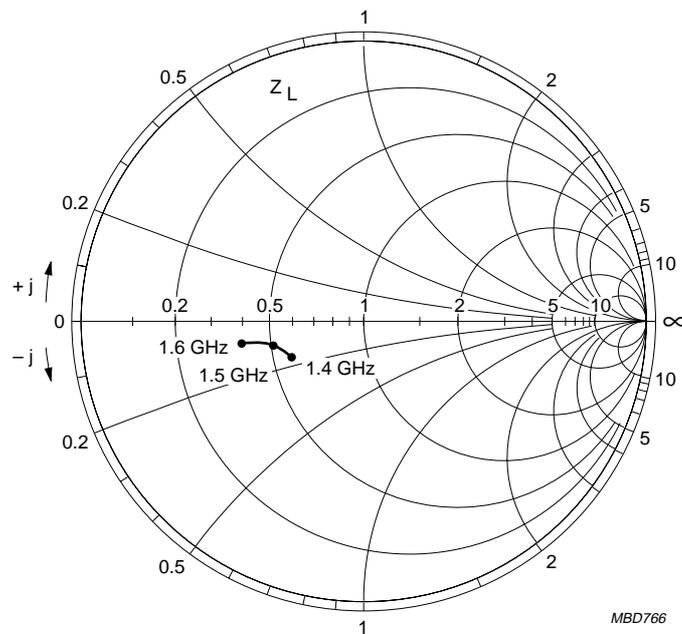
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$V_{CE} = 24 \text{ V}; Z_o = 10 \Omega; I_{CQ} = 0.3 \text{ A}.$

Fig.8 Input impedance as a function of frequency; typical values.



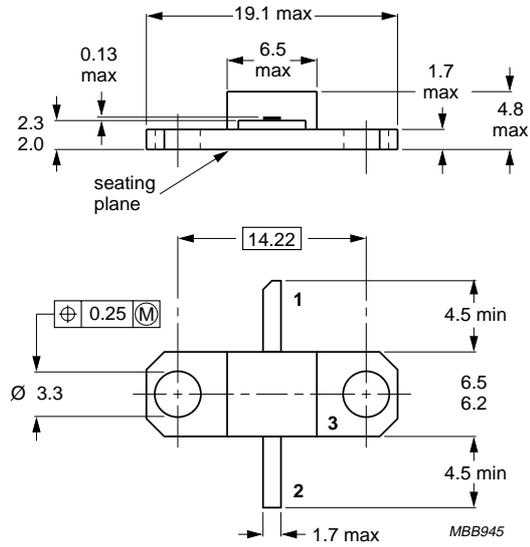
$V_{CE} = 24 \text{ V}; Z_o = 10 \Omega; I_{CQ} = 0.3 \text{ A}.$

Fig.9 Optimum load impedance as a function of frequency; typical values.

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## PACKAGE OUTLINE



Dimensions in mm.  
Torque on screws: max. 0.5 Nm.  
Recommended screw: M3.

Fig.10 SOT437A.

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**DEFINITIONS**

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |
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